REGISTERING & VOTING SAFELY DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Not sure what to expect when visiting your voting station during the Covid-19 pandemic? Welcome to our guide to the new registration and voting process.

1. **Wear a mask when you register and vote**, as per lockdown regulations for all persons in public places. If you don’t have a mask or face cover, the election officials will refuse you entry to the voting station and you will not be able to register, or update your address, or vote.

2. **Keep a distance of 1.5 m** from fellow voters, election officials, party agents and observers at all times while at your voting station.

3. **Wait your turn** before entering the voting station as only a limited number of people may be gathered inside the venue at the same time.

4. **Liquid sanitiser will be sprayed on your hands** by an election official before you enter and leave the voting station.

5. **We care for the safety of our election officials.** They will be provided with masks and face shields to wear in line with government regulations.

6. **Bring your own pen** for filling in forms and marking ballots at the voting station. In any event, election officials will be sanitising all pens at the voting station after each use.

7. **When inking your thumbnail**, election officials will check that it is dry before applying the ink, and will ask you to wait a moment before you move on to ensure that the ink has dried before your hands are sanitised on departing the voting station.

8. **All voting station surfaces will be wiped with 70% alcohol disinfectant before and after use.**

9. **Say if it’s not okay.** Politely speak up if people are too close to you, or if anyone’s behavior makes you feel uncomfortable. Keep yourself and others safe.

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